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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2003, wherein prosecution on the merits was closed in accordance with the practice pursuant to *Ex parte Quayle*, please amend the above-identified application as follows: